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Naval Unit Will Enter In March

To Be Organized Into Four Groups

President Samuel S. Stratton received ficial announcement this week from the reau of Navy Personnel that the Mid- bury V-12 Unit will train approxi- tely the same number of men in the arch term as it has for the past two mesters. The unit will be composed of ur classes of officer candidates: second- ar deck trainees, basic freshmen, basic iation trainees, and pre-medics.

Preliminary allocation of V-12 students specialized fully prescribed curricula ove the second term has now been com- ted, and new quotas in specific curricula ve been established, as of March 1, 1944, all units.

National Quotas

National quotas in the various special- ed curricula have been established by the reau to meet the future needs of the avy, so far as those needs can be fore- en. Overall quotas in some specialties relatively small, *e.g.*, in pre-Supply rps, physics majors, and several other rricula for which V-12 units as a group ve had a very large instructional capac- . In the interests of effective adminis- ation and economy of operation, the reau has been forced to limit the num- r of units to which trainees in these cialities will be assigned.

The total number of pre-Chaplain can- dates is so small that no quotas have en established for any units. No quotas r the fully prescribed curriculum for neral engineers have been established r March 1.

Although readjustments will be neces- ry in the academic programs of all V-12 its, every effort has been made by the reau to keep such changes to a mini- um, consistent with the effective opera- n of the program.

Officers Installed At Student Union

Installation of Student Union officers for the coming year took place Saturday afternoon in Mead Chapel at a meeting of the undergraduate body of the Women's College. Doris A. Orth '44, retiring president, conducted the meeting.

Resigning her position, Miss Orth expressed her gratitude for the cooperation shown her by the entire student body during her term of office. She then presented red roses to the new vice-president, Rebecca A. Fraser '46; the secretary, Margaret J. Rowland '46; and the treasurer, Dolly Greene '45. Introducing her successor, Wilma R. Bunce '45, Miss Orth presented her with the gown of authority and a bouquet of red roses.

New President Speaks

The new president accepted her position, thanking the senior officers of Student Union for their efficient leadership. Addressing the entire student body, "We have a challenging tomorrow ahead of us," she said. "The success we make of it depends upon the loyalty we show to the ideals of our Student Union and upon the cooperation (which in the past you have already proved you are capable of). I ask this further cooperation of you—and, I pledge you mine."

Irene B. Ruthenberg '44, retiring Chief Justice, congratulated the resigning Student Union officers upon their successful terms of office, and introduced the new Chief Justice, Mary E. Wisotzkey '45.

Miss Wisotzkey spoke of the important changes in the student government of the Women's College in recent years, noting particularly the honor system. "If we have a strong desire to maintain those standards of which we are so proud," she declared, "we can continue to be proud of our record of self-government. If we consider ourselves as individual links in that chain whose strength is determined by its weakest link, we can look forward to a pleasant year of cooperation and understanding with each other."

Denny's Band to Entertain Dancers at Carnival Ball

We present for your Carnival dancing easure Jack Denny and his orchestra, ho promises to carry you, one and all, om the cold, cold clutches of Old Man iddlebury Winter to the sweet and solid un Valley of dreams. King and Queen Carnival will be the rulers, wise and st, of this valley of soft and lilting usic. A silver throne set in the soft ckground of Winter Wonderland awaits eir coronation, highlight of activity.

Twelve Music Makers

The twelve music makers have been eard and enjoyed from coast to coast, re- ntly completing an engagement at the otel Pennsylvania, famous stop-over for ll outstanding dance bands. The same usic that has filled the luxurious halls New York's Waldorf Astoria, the Bal- more, and the Drake, not to mention dio broadcasts with the American Safety azor program, the Whitman Candy hour, e Richard Hudnut program, and many thers, will serve to make Middlebury the ene of the best of all Carnival Balls.

Our secret password to this wonderland an be secured from Bob Ehrenbard or verett Hicks in Gifford, or Seabury hort and Edwin Gustafson in Hepburn. he password is written small, mysteri- us, white slips, which, confidentially, can lso be secured at the College Book Store r a slight nominal fee of $3.30.

And for a complete guide to all that ill be going on during Carnival week- nd, we present the entire Winter Carnival rogram.

JACK DENNY

Notice change in schedule of Ski Races. The schedule printed on combination tickets and in the official Carnival program is incorrect.

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1944 Middlebury Culture Conference To Convene on Saturday and Sunday

EDITH D. JOHANSEN

E. ANN ROBINSON

As chairman and secretary, respectively, they know what Conference really means. To them goes the thanks of the entire campus for the untiring work which has gone into making this year's conference a success.

Humanities Holds Panel on Religion

Religion was the subject of one of the year's most successful Humanities discussions, held in Munroe, January 14, at 7.30 o'clock. Speakers for the evening were: Dolly Greene '45 and Professor Claude L. Bourcier, Charles H. Kaiser, and Theodore C. Weiler.

With Dorothy J. Burton '44 as moderator, the four speakers entered upon a spirited discussion of the most perplexing and universal problem of mankind, namely that of his place in the scheme of existence and the probabilities of continued existence in a life of the hereafter. Miss Green sought to represent the opinions of the average student, whose ideas are generally in a state of flux. Professor Kaiser gave a philosophical and semi-scientific approach to the question, while Professors Bourcier and Weiler discussed religion from the viewpoints of humanist and anthropologist respectively.

Student Attitude

Student attitude toward the problem appeared to be one of doubt and question, but with strong and realistic adoption of religious principles in daily, continued existence. Religion, as a means of relating the individual to something outside himself, possesses the ability to bring to the fore those qualities which are most respected in modern civilization. Such is the active and vibrant principle of religious belief, an indispensable part of daily life.

Religion as a mere product of human society dominated the anthropological viewpoint. In its true element, such belief, good and bad, is a natural result of humanity's tendency towards control through a greater mediating power; its change is the change of social concepts, its purpose, the formation of social doctrine.

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Works of Four Artists Exhibited in Forest Rec

Under the sponsorship of the department of Fine Arts, a display of drawings by Matisse, Renoir, Seurat, and Van Gogh has been secured from the Museum of Modern Art. The drawings are now on exhibition in Forest Recreation Room.

The drawings form an interesting study in contrasts for they vary widely in both subject matter and medium, ranging from colorful Renoir chalk sketches to rough pencil sketches. All four artists show highly personalized styles—the casual, angular lines of Matisse contrasting with the soft blending of light and shade of Seurat, and the short strokes of Van Gogh showing an entirely different technique from that of the more conventional Renoir who uses short smooth lines.

New Constitution Ratified by Navy To Promote Unity

Members of the Navy V-12 unit ratified a constitution Friday morning which establishes here at Middlebury a representative Naval Assembly. Sanctioned by Lieut. Edward M. Clarke, the constitution was unanimously accepted.

The purpose of the assembly is to promote the general welfare of all the men, to promote greater unity between members of the Naval Unit and to coordinate, in conjunction with the regimental staff, all social activities specified by the Commanding Officer and pertaining to the Naval Unit. The Assembly will endeavor to establish the best possible relationship between trainees and civilians and will plan social activities in cooperation with the civilians. Navy activities will be coordinated by the Assembly with student activities through the Student Life committee.

One-semester Term

The council will consist of one representative from each deck of each hall. The term of office of each deck representative will terminate at the end of each scholastic term. Elections will be held during the second week of the first month of each semester.

This representative council will have the power to determine the policies of the Naval Assembly, subject to the approval of the Commanding Officer of the Naval Unit. Meetings of the council will take place on the second and fourth week of every month.

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Navy Ship Models In Library Display

Model ships from the various world navies are now on exhibition in the main room of Starr Library. Prof. Pierre de Lanux originally started the collection as a hobby and now has well over 100 models, valuable in teaching men to recognize the different classes in a fleet. The ships were originally procured from manufacturers and naval training centers, but many models are no longer obtainable and Professor de Lanux had to construct his own models, basing them on actual photographs from such publications as Jane's "Fighting Ships" and other reliable sources.

Large Range

The exhibit ranges all the way from infinitesimal submarines to some of the large modern battleships with 1:1250 being the scale for all replicas. Included in the models are such intricate details as movable turret guns, cranes, and anti-aircraft guns.

Among personally constructed models

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Guests, Students To Join in Panels

Topics Challenge All Participators

Middlebury College Conference will become a reality this week-end, January 22 and 23, when panel discussions begin on Saturday at 9.30 a.m. in the High School gymnasium. Activities revolving around these discussions will continue through Sunday afternoon.

Panels will be conducted in such a way that guest speakers will give brief ten to fifteen-minute talks on a topic relevant to the particular panel at which they are speaking.

Economics and politics, first topics of discussion, will be given introductory talks by Messrs. Brown, Ezekiel, Schuman, and Powell. Mr. Brown's address will concern the threat of cartelization; Mr. Ezekiel's, the threat of mass unemployment; Mr. Schuman's moral and economic substitutes for war and the organization of global peace; Mr. Powell's, the threat inherent in the exploitation of and discrimination against minorities, racial, religious, and economic.

Panel Talks

Introductory talks to Literature and the Arts will be given by Messrs. Adams, Benoit-Levy, Colburn and Matthiessen, whose topics will be respectively, the shape of books to come, the changes in temper and attitude in creative writing which seem likely, especially in the United States; the understanding of "culture" and "mass culture" with emphasis on the part that movies play in modern culture; art in a changing world; and conceptions of modern culture.

The final panel, Philosophy, Religion, and Science will be introduced by Messrs. Powell, de Sartillana, and Thomson, who will attempt to coordinate the other two topics of the conference. The exact patterns to be followed in their addresses have not yet been revealed.

General Discussion

At the conclusion of these talks, discussion will be open. It is expected that on Saturday questions from the floor will probably be omitted, but on Sunday there will be provision for them. If anyone has a question he thinks he will forget, he is asked to write it down and hand it to an usher who will present it to the committee, who will bring it to the attention of the panel speakers. Although the panel discussions will be the core of the week-end, receptions and informal gatherings of the speakers will supplement the activity.

The conference committee regrets to announce the declining of invitations to attend by both James G. Patton and Edgar Mowrer. Their work has made it necessary for them to alter their original plans. There is a possibility that Mrs. Dorothy

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MRS. IDA V. ROSS

The student body and faculty wish to extend their deepest sympathy to Dean Eleanor S. Ross on the death of her mother Mrs. Ida V. Ross. Mrs. Ross was born in Clinton, Mass., on July 31, 1856. She was for years a resident of Rutland but recently had been living in Middlebury. She died in Rutland on January 13 and the funeral services were held on January 15.

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Liberal Arts And The Conference

It is a very great pleasure for the Faculty Committee to have this opportunity of thanking the student body and the CAMPUS in particular for the coöperation we have received in planning for the Second Middlebury Conference. This coöperation has been spontaneous and enthusiastic and testifies obviously to the success of the first Conference last year. Of that success there can be no question. One need not remember only the formal panels themselves. I am thinking in particular of the groups of students in Forest Rec assembled around Hansen, Bruce, Thompson, and Pitoeff and of the obvious and confessed pleasure felt by the participants themselves in the presence of so much enthusiasm and—should I add?—charm. This enthusiasm, as most of us know, did not die away immediately. For some weeks afterward the Conference was providing themes for class-room discussions and midnight sessions, and the Humanities group has this year perpetuated something of this atmosphere.

There are two things which ought to be said concerning this success. The first is that most of the detailed organizational work and correspondence is done by the Student Committee, and therefore the success of each Conference depends largely on the efforts of students, not faculty. Technically we are an advisory committee, and most of the actual executive work was done by Paul Davis and his assistants last year and by Miss Johansen and her able corps of helpers this year. It is true that the Conference was conceived and instituted last year by a group of faculty members and students. It is true also that the faculty committee sits with the student committees when all general questions of policy are being discussed. But it is important for the student body to realize that the Conference is a student enterprise, and the success of the Conference is therefore a student achievement.

The second thing which ought to be said concerning the reception of the Conference idea at Middlebury is that clearly an actual need is being satisfied. Whether our isolation in a Vermont valley whets our appetite for intellectual discussion or whether it gives us a proper perspective and interest in world problems, the fact is that such discussion is a needed complement to class-room lectures and the activities of the various clubs. It testifies also, as many of us are bitterly aware, how appallingly ineffective mere lecturing really is. The amount one learns merely by listening to these "Socratic" discussions is astonishing. How much the participants learn we can only conjecture, but the intention is, after all, that we shall learn from them.

I like to believe, however, that there is a deeper reason why the Conference has caught on at Middlebury. It testifies, I believe, that Middlebury is still a liberal arts college in spite of certain growing tendencies toward professionalism in our midst. The old saw about the specialist is partly right in the sense that the specialist *cares* to know more only about his own special subject and is indifferent to the problems in other fields and even to the relations of those fields to his own. It is an educational tragedy that most of our universities and colleges are now staffed with such specialists—men who are unable to interest students in the problems which involve many fields because they themselves know only one.

The Middlebury Conference is dedicated to the belief that there are certain problems which cannot be profitably discussed within the framework of one field of knowledge alone. Solutions of political difficulties appeal often to broad general principles which must themselves be properly scrutinized by the methods of philosophy and religion. The solution of technical economic problems can be left to the economist; the selection of the *end* which economics shall serve must be arrived at by some other means. There must be a proper coöperation of geography, sociology, politics, economics, philosophy and religion in the construction of the world of the future.

Now it is this interest in problems transcending any one field or "department" which characterizes the genuine liberal arts student. A liberal education should provide the student with an appreciation of the monumental achievements within each field of knowledge and with an understanding of the general relationships between the fields themselves. To the extent to which this is accomplished the student will not only be equipped to face the complexity of the problems which will have to be solved *somehow* in the post-war world but he will also have an actual interest in the solution of these problems. In other words it is not the pure specialist who will solve the world's problems. To use our own word, it will be the man of culture.

This then is my contention: that the success of a Cultural Conference at Middlebury College proves conclusively that we are still a liberal arts college. May the success of this Second Conference demonstrate conclusively that I am right!

CHARLES H. KAISER.

VAN WYCK BROOKS TO GIVE READING

Mead Memorial Chapel at 8 o'clock tonight is the scene of the Abernethy reading to be given by Van Wyck Brooks. His talk will be based on his newest unpublished book, *The Age of Washington Irving*. There is no admission charge.

Doctor Brooks has served upon the teaching faculty of Leland Stanford and has been a lecturer at the University of London. He graduated from Harvard and received his Litt.D. from Columbia, Tufts, Bowdoin, Boston University and Dartmouth.

Among the books which he has written are *The Flowering of New England* and *New England: Indian Summer*. Doctor Brooks has formulated political ideas along with his literary theories.

The complete biography of Doctor Brooks appeared in last week's issue of the CAMPUS. He is the Abernethy guest speaker for 1944.

Model Boats On Exhibition

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of the Japanese fleet are the "Terutsuki," the latest type of Japanese destroyer, and the "Midget," one of the famous two-man "suicide subs" which was used at Pearl Harbor. Many of the ships are marked by slanting smoke stacks. This is to prevent the smoke from blowing towards the coning tower and obstructing the view of battle.

Battleships

Two of the United States' largest battleships, weighing 35,000 tons, the South Dakota and the North Carolina are in the exhibition and classified under the modern category. The *Hornet* American aircraft carrier which bombed Tokio and was later sunk in the battle of Santa Cruz, is among Professor de Lanux's own models. Also in the American flotilla is the destroyer *Fletcher*, one of the most detailed pieces of workmanship.

Under the Italian fleet comes the *Littoris*, a battleship built in 1937. Some German representatives are the *Von Armir*, a destroyer sunk at Narvik, the *Luetzow*, an example of the pocket battleship, and the *Prince Eugen* a heavy cruiser. The four main types of U boats are shown too.

British Ships

The British have the 34,000 ton battleship *Nelson*, and the *Ajax*, famous for its fight against the *Graf Spee*. Russia is represented by the *Maksin Gorki*, example of an intermediate between the heavy and light cruiser class.

In constructing the French 35,000 ton *Richlieu*, Professor de Lanux has had to leave his work unfinished, because naval information should not be released upon the new distribution of anti-aircraft and light artillery.

An unusual collection of historical ships built on the same scale is likewise on display at the library. A Greek ship of the fifth century and *Christophe de la Tovi*, an English ship fighting in the Hundred Years War and the first vessel to bear artillery, are two of the earlier models. There are also miniature of the first working steamship, iron clad vessel and submarine, a single man affair built in 1776. The famous *Merrimac* and *Monitor* also appear in the exhibit.

Professor de Lanux has spent considerable time in preparing this collection and has many plans for future additions.

DECORATIONS AND CITATIONS

CAPT. ARTHUR E. ANDRES, '40, Army Air Force. Distinguished Service Cross.

LT. EDWARD E. BUTTOLPH, '42, Army, Infantry. Silver Star.

DONALD J. DAVIS, '42, Army, Infantry. Purple Heart.

LT. EDWARD J. GIGNAC, '43, Army Air Force. Silver Star.

CAPT. EDWARD C. HALLOCK, '38, Army Air Force. Distinguished Flying Cross and Silver Star, Oak Leaf Cluster, Air Medal for conspicuous gallantry on bombing missions.

LT. JOHN H. HICKS, '41, Naval Reserve. Presidential Citation for service on the *Enterprise* during Midway and Solomons.

LT. CHESTER G. LIVINGSTON, '40 (R '39). Air Medal.

LT. JOHN C. LUNDRIGAN '43, Marine Corps. Purple Heart, Southwest Pacific, with Star, Regimental Citation for Guadalcanal.

LT. NORMAN SMITH '39, Naval Reserve. Navy Cross.

LT. COMDR. RICHARD R. SMITH '34, Coast Guard. Navy and Marine Corps Medal.

S. A. A.

By HEDVIG C. HOGG '45

Federal soldier suffrage, in the legal fish and soup of the Lucas-Green bill now before Congress, has been well publicized on the front pages of most newspapers for some time. Unlike many of the complex economic questions in the headlines, this issue was plain and dramatic in the eyes of the sisters and the cousins and the aunts of G. I. Joe. To them it amounted to this: would Joe be able to make himself heard in the crucial middle-of-the-war election, could he have a say in his fate, or would he be disenfranchised and left to the mercy of the stay-at-home politicians as he was before Versailles?

Rep. John E. Rankin

For a lot of the drama and publicity of the issue we have to thank Rep. John E. Rankin, but that's all we thank him for. On the plea of states' rights he wanted to conduct the soldier vote as an ordinary absentee affair, a red-tape method which even the War and Navy departments said was impossible to administer. He dragged in rank poll tax and anti-semitic issues. The valiant voices of Representatives Voorhis, Rogers, and others were drowned under tirades and closures.

As they heard the tirades, the folks at home began to see that maybe it was time to turn the tables and do some fighting for Joe. Soldiers' wives visited Washington. *PM* thundered out a "write to your congressman" campaign, and a lot of the people who had bummed cigarettes from Joe when he was home did write. They wrote to Senator Scott Lucas, a sponsor of the bill, to Rep. Eugene Worley who is chairman of the House Elections Committee and who has been fighting hard against the Senate's attempt to throw the problem in the lap of the ineffective states. They wrote to their own congressmen. Some wrote bitter letters to Rankin, but this was like battering a postage stamp against a brick wall.

Harrison Spangler, GOP

The weight of public opinion is beginning to tell, but the fight is far from over. Some of the staunch opposition is showing signs of sweet conciliation, especially after Harrison Spangler, GOP national chairman, let the cat out of the bag last week by confiding to a press conference that he had written to some of his friends in the army and that they were going to vote Republican, anyway. That incident gave a little comic relief to the situation, but the sure, swift reaction of an irate public is what may really turn the tide. If you wrote your share you can pat yourself on the back when Joe tells you how good it is to know the country cares about a fellow who's 'way off in Italy like he is.

College Calendar

Thursday, January 20

Abernethy lecturer, Van Wyck Brooks to speak in Mead Chapel.

Saturday, January 22

Middlebury Conference.

Sunday, January 23

Middlebury Conference.

Vespers at 5.00 in Mead Chapel; A. Clayton Powell, speaker.

Tuesday, January 25

Basketball game at 8.00 in the High School gym with St. Michael's.

NOTICES

Correction in Examination Schedule printed January 13, 1944:

Wednesday, February 16, 8 A.M.
Physics PH2

P, Y, Z—Holden in Gym (not sections P. Y. J as printed)

Registration for freshmen and upperclassmen will be on Friday, March 3, from 9 to 12 and 2 to 5 o'clock and on Saturday, March 4, from 9 to 12 o'clock.

The deposit of $100.00 for freshmen and of $500.00 for upperclassmen must be in the Treasurer's Office by then. An additional payment of $5.00 will be required if registration has not been completed by noon on Saturday, March 4.

NEXT TERM'S CHOIR NAMED

Vocalists in the College Choir for the next term beginning March 6, 1944, have been chosen, and rehearsals are underway for the Easter program which will be the new choir's first big concert.

There were no changes nor additions to the men's choir. Women selected for the choir include: Helen C. Bailey '44; Eleanor R. Burt, Wilma R. Bunce, Carol G. Chamberlayne, Jane Charland, Toba Gertz, Joanne Higgins, Lael D. Kinnison, Josephine A. Kirk, Paula G. Knight, Nettie Mae Merritt, Alice B. Southworth, and Barbara Walters, all from the class of '45; Elizabeth B. Carr, Virginia L. Cox, Helen K. Floyd, Marcey S. Lynn, Joan P. Harrocks, F. Louise Heald, and Ruth R. Riley, from the class of '46; and Margaret D. Armstrong, Evelyn G. Barre, Betsy S. Drake, Constance Greene, Elizabeth A. Holmgren, Natalie Simpson, and Helen Swan, from the class of '47.

NEW DIRECTIONS TO APPEAR SOON

Material for *Directions* is now in the hands of the printers, and the first issue for the year will appear sometime before the end of this semster.

This *Directions* will be larger than usual, but the subscription price, twenty-five cents per copy, is still unchanged. The material this year is varied both in tone and in type, and the magazine will contain something of interest to everyone.

Subscriptions may be had from John Unterecker '44 in Starr Hall, Diana Lurvey '44, Forest East, or Elizabeth L. Ring '44, Forest West and will be accepted at any time.

ALUMNI NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Bennett H. Short (Louise Hoyt '38) have announced the birth of a son, Bennett Harvey, Jr., on July 22, 1943.

A son, John Whittier, was born to Mr. and Mrs. J. Cullen Kennedy (Katherine Whittier '38) on December 30, 1943.

Jeanette Olson '39 was married to Lt. Jack P. Gould on December 2, 1943, at Worcester, Mass.

Audrey Hargreaves, '40, is librarian at the Belleville, N. J., High School.

Elinor Wiesing, '41, is a private secretary in the Base Ordnance Office, Westover Field Army Air Base, Chicopee Falls, Mass.

Gail M. Ufford '41 is teaching second grade in Cranfield, N. J.; address: 814 Cedar Terrace, Westfield, N. J.

Jean Gould '41 is a junior metallographer with Ranger Aircraft Engines, Division of Fairchild Engine and Airplane Corp., Farmingdale, L. I.; address: 66 New St., Farmingdale, N. Y.

Harriet Tillinghast '42 is a service representative for the Telephone Co. in Hartford, Conn.; address: 141 Cheshire St., Hartford.

Barbara York '42 was awarded a sergeant's stripes by Company K of the Vermont State Guard for proficiency in reporting their maneuvers.

The marriage of Lenore E. Wolff '43 to M. Scott Eakeley '43 has been announced.

DISTINGUISHED GROUP TO PARTICIPATE IN SECOND MIDDLEBURY CONFERENCE

Discussion Is Necessary To Preserve Democracy

Our First Move To Fight Fascism

By Prof. R. W. Rafuse

Tons of paper and barrels of ink have been consumed in the discussion of our war aims. And it has occurred too far to too few of us that the evidence of our major aim is in the fact of that discussion itself. We are fighting for the right to make our own mistakes, which is merely another way of saying that we are fighting for the preservation of democracy. We are fighting for the right to determine our own destiny, which is merely another way of saying that we are fighting against fascism. But fascism cannot be destroyed by destroying men and property. The military way is the fascist, not the democratic way. We gave our enemy the initial advantage by letting him choose the weapons. We must now disarm him, and then continue the fight on our own terms. Fascism can be destroyed only by destroying the ideas which are its spawning ground. That is the meaning of this Conference. That is the objective of the Round Table of Political and Economic Questions—to advance upon the enemy until we can see the whites of his ideas, and then open fire.

ANDRE MORIZE

Andre Morize is director of the Middlebury French Summer School and nationally known lecturer on French literature. He received his Litt.D. at Middlebury College in 1925 and had previously taught in the Ecole Normal Superieure and the Lycee of Bordeaux, in France. He was associate professor of French literature at Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, 1913-14. Having served with the French army during the World War as sergeant, lieutenant and captain, Mr. Morize was called to Harvard University in May, 1917, as lecturer on military science and tactics. After the Armistice he accepted a chair of French literature in the same university.

He was made a full professor in 1925, and chairman of the department of history and literature in 1931. From September, 1939, to June, 1940, he was director of the Ministry of Information at Paris. His works include "L'Apologie du Luxe au XVIIIe Siecle," "Problems and Methods of Literary History," and "France: Ete, 1940." In 1918 he gave a course of lectures at the Lowell Institute in Boston, and has lectured extensively from coast to coast.

JEAN BENOIT-LEVY

In order to facilitate reconstruction in post-war France, Jean Benoit-Levy is now directing a series of American films concerning medical and social hygiene, which he will take to Europe after the war.

Born in 1888, he has always evinced an interest in educational films and has been the president and secretary of many technical, activity, and artistical committees in France. Among the dramatic films which he has produced in France, the most famous are *La Mematernelle* and *The Swan's Death*, changed to the title of *Ballerina* in this country, which got five awards at the Paris exposition.

He has a real interest in educational movies. Having made over two hundred films in social hygiene, agriculture and forestry both medical and general, he was made Secretary of the French Section of the International Institute of Educational Cinemas of the League of Nations.

In the first World War, Benoit-Levy was wounded and decorated, and in the present conflict he has come to America as Assistant Professor of Cinematographic Pedagogy at the New School of Social Research in New York and at the Ecole Libre, French University of Social Research in exile.

FREDERICK SCHUMAN

For Frederick Schumann, this will be the first trip to Middlebury. At present he is professor of Political Science at Williams but is best known for his several outstanding books which include *American Policy Towards Russia Since 1917, Design for Power, Europe on the Eve,* and *Night Over Europe.* Before going to Williams, Mr. Schumann was an instructor of Political Science at the University of Chicago, and from November, 1942 to June, 1943, he worked as a news analyst for the Federal Communications Commission in Washington.

DOROTHY C. FISHER

Because her farmhouse near Arlington, Vt., was snowed in last year, Dorothy Canfield Fisher was unable to attend the Conference then, but she expects to be here this year. Mrs. Fisher who was educated both here and abroad is well-known as an author of critical studies and fiction. Her books include *Hillsborough People, The Deepening Stream, The Bent Twig,* and *Seasoned Timber.* She is a member of the National Institute of Arts and Letters and has been awarded the D.Litt. by Middlebury, Dartmouth, University of Vermont, and Columbia.

F. O. MATTHIESSEN

F. O. Matthiessen, associate professor of history and literature at Harvard, studied at Yale, Oxford, and Harvard and before taking his present position served as an instructor in English at Yale. He is a member of the American Federation of Teachers and the League of American Writers. An author as well as a professor, he has written a biographical study of Sara Orne Jewett, a work on T. S. Eliot, and in 1941, *American Renaissance,* which Prof. Reginald L. Cook describes as "one of the more brilliant studies in American literature." Mr. Matthiessen, a contributor to literary reviews and quarterlies, is a member of the Editorial Board of the *New England Quarterly.*

HARRY STERNBERG

Speaking on the Literature and Arts panel will be Harry Sternberg who is at present an instructor at the Art Students League in New York City. Mr. Sternberg, who was a Guggenheim fellow in 1935, has done murals in many parts of the country, notably at the Post Office in Chicago. He has taught at the New School of Social Research and written many articles on the art of silk screen printing. He is best known, however, for his work in lithography and the graphic arts.

MORDECAI EZEKIEL

Mordecai Ezekiel, who was at the Conference last year, is now Economic Advisor to the Secretary of Agriculture in Washington. Previously he has held positions in the Census Bureau, the Department of Agriculture and in the Federal Farm Bureau. For a short while he was connected with the WPB as assistant to the vice-chairman.

In recognition of his contribution to Science as an economist Mr. Ezekiel was awarded the Guggenheim Fellowship for economic study in 1930. He has written three outstanding books in the field of economics which explain economics problems to the layman. These books include "Methods of Correlations Analysis," "2,500 a Year—From Scarcity to Abundance," and "Jobs for All."

A. Clayton Powell To Lead Sunday's Afternoon Service

Mr. Powell will be speaker at Sunday vespers, Sunday, January 23, as well as participating in the panel discussion.

As pastor of the Abyssinian Baptist Church in New York City, A. Clayton Powell, Jr., has had wide influence over the religious welfare of his 14,000 members who form the largest Protestant congregation in the world.

Mr. Powell is a graduate of Colgate University and has succeeded his father, A. Clayton Powell, Sr., as pastor of the church. He is the leader of the "People's Movement," a non sectarian, non-racial group, which has as followers both white and negro people. He has been instrumental in promoting negro welfare in Harlem in his campaign against the landdords who overcharge on rents there and against the 125th street stores which refused to hire negroes. In 1942, he was elected to the New York Council with no machine support. As a newspaperman as well as a minister, he is editor and co-publisher of a newspaper which reaches thousands of negroes, the *People's Voice.*

Action Based On Opinions

"Know Thyself" To Be Observed

By Prof. C. L. Bourcier

The ultimate basis for all human action is opinion, whether that opinion depends for its formulation upon religious belief, scientific data, or simple everyday ideas borrowed from family tradition, class consciousness, national prejudices, or the latest fad. Deliberately or unconsciously we thus follow the dictates of our own opinions, or of someone else's, in fashioning our actions and moulding our behavior. It must be worthwhile therefore to undertake periodical, if not constant, examinations of such opinions, in order to find out whether they are still consistent and in harmony with the maturing outlook on things and people which we should derive from our daily experiences, and also to realize whether we ourselves are consistent in applying equitably these inward standards to all our actions. We know, for instance, because science and common sense tell us so,—or we believe, because Christianity teaches us so—that all men are essentially the same; but do we behave as if we did?

Analyze Carefully

In other words, the philosopher, the scientist and the man of God have a right to ask from us that we analyze more and more carefully the basis for our actions in the economic and political world as well as in the world of our daily life or in that of literature and the arts. They have a right to call to the stand the high sounding words or phrases which most of us might mistake for real thinking. Maybe some of those words are nothing but empty assumptions, and it is fitting that we should pierce them through and through. Others on the contrary might hide realities more pungent and fertile than we had suspected. It is proper that we should bring them out to light and develop the rich fulness of their contents.

Stable Basis

What is behind such concepts as democracy, national sovereignty, progress, socialism, and so forth? Can we hope to form a better view for ourselves and others of such important words? Would it help in providing a more stable basis for the mutual understanding and interacting of individuals, races, classes, nations?

These are some of the questions which we have to ask ourselves and the world around us. In this quest, philosophy, science and religion are of primary importance, if it were only because they force us to define exactly the various

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Americans Must Realize Duties In Post-War World

J. DONALD ADAMS

J. Donald Adams, editor of the *New York Times Book Review,* is a graduate of Harvard University. During the summer of 1913 he taught English at the University of Washington, becoming a reporter for the *New Bedford Standard* that same year. In 1915 he worked on the *Providence Journal* and the *Seattle Post Intelligencer.* He was made assistant Sunday editor of the latter in 1916.

He became reporter, then editorial writer for the *New York Sun and Herald* three years later, achieving the assistant editorship of the *New York Times Book Review* in 1920. He retained this position for four years, after which he was made editor. This is his present position. Mr. Adams' home is in Woodstock, New York.

DOUGLAS V. BROWN

Doctor Brown is a professor of economics at M. I. T. and a consultant with Washington in a phase of the labor program.

He is a graduate of Harvard and received his Ph.D. there also. He taught for some years at Harvard before taking his professorship at M. I. T.

Formerly a member of War Production Board, he was sent in this capacity to Russia. While there he met Joseph Stalin and several other Russian leaders. He will draw on this wide experience when he speaks on the Economics Panel.

Speakers Listed By Panel Topics

I. Economic and Political

First chairman, Stratton; second chairman, Rafuse).

Brown, Ezekiel, Schuman, Powell, Benoit-Levy, Morize, F. O. Matthiessen, de Santillana, de Lanux, Rafuse, Thomson.

Each chairman will participate on the day he is not presiding.

II. Literature and the Arts

(First chairman, de Lanux).

Adams, Benoit-Levy, Colburn, Fisher, Matthiessen, Morize, de Santillana, Cook, Bourcier.

III. Philosophy, Religion and Science

(First chairman, Kaiser).

Powell, de Santillana, Thomson, Morize, Fisher, Bourcier, Reid.

This will be an attempt to coordinate the discussion of each of the other two.

IV. Combined (II and III)

(Chairman, Bourcier).

Adams, Benoit-Levy, Colburn, (Fisher, not sure), Matthiessen, Morize, Powell, de Santillana, Thomson, Kaiser, Reid, de Lanux, Cook.

FRANCIS COLBURN

Mr. Colburn considers as his outstanding achievement a series of paintings on rural life in Vermont illustrating an important part of American way of living. He is artist-in-residence at the University of Vermont at the present time.

Born in Fairfax, Vt., October 20, 1909, Mr. Colburn received his Ph.D. at the University of Vermont in 1934. He began painting in college, and was mural assistant to Harry Sternberg of the New York World's Fair commission in 1938. He then became a teacher of art in Vermont schools until 1942, when he acquired his present position at the university.

He has presented one-man exhibits since 1934, his work appearing at the Wood Gallery, Montpelier, Bennington College, the Knoedler Gallery, New York, and the Jones library, Amherst, Mass. Mr. Colburn's paintings have also appeared in numerous exhibits, among which are the New York World's Fair, 1939, the Corcoran Bi-ennial of American painting, Washington, D. C., and the Carnegie Institute, Pittsburgh.

Mr. Colburn was president of the Vermont Art Teachers' Association in 1941, and in 1937, after national competition, was awarded a scholarship to the Art Student League. He also contributed articles on art to the newspapers.

"One World" View To Be Stressed

By Prof. R. L. Cook

One real conviction has motivated those responsible for the continuance of the Middlebury Conference. It is the conviction that the victory over Nazism and Fascism will be partial if Americans fail to realize all their obligations in the post-war world.

The notable writers and artists who will be here this week-end to participate in our conference are all representatives of deep-rooted democratic institutions. The focus of their angle of vision will be the effect which the war is now having and will have upon the cultural values of mankind. They will discuss the ways in which the political beliefs of our time can be served by the arts. They will show how the writer's horizon has expanded to include a "one-world" view. They will indicate how the channels of communication with other countries can be more readily opened through strong cultural currents. But, above all else, they will emphasize the necessity for each of us to search his or her mind and spirit closely so that each may be prepared to accept responsibility as an informed citizen of "one-world."

GEORGE DE SANTILLANA

Signor de Santillana, born in Italy, was educated there and taught at the University of Rome. He has seen what Fascism did to his own country and the effect it would have on Europe. In this country since 1938, he has been an instructor at the Middlebury Italian Summer School and has held a lecturership at Harvard University. He collaborated with Prof. F. Enriquez on the *History of Scientific Thought* and has written for the *Atlantic Monthly* and other periodicals. He is at present an instructor at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

GEORGE DYKHUIZEN

As Associate Professor of Philosophy at University of Vermont, Burlington, Professor Dykhuizen has had a liberal background in philosophic studies. He is a graduate of the University of Indiana and received his Ph.D. from University of Chicago.

For the past 17 years he has taught at University of Vermont and this summer attended conference on community problems in Alberta, Canada. He has also spoken in Ottawa on the subject of Social Philosophy of Agriculture.

D. L. THOMSON

From McGill University comes David Landsborough Thomson to speak on the Philosophy, Religion and Science panel. At the Canadian University Doctor Thomson holds the positions of Professor of Bio-Chemistry in the Chemical Biological Science Group and is Dean of the Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research. He has published a treatise on "Life of the Cell" besides many other scientific papers and reviews. He has received the M.A., B.Sc., Ph.D., F.R.S.C., and F.C.I.C. degrees.

Celebrities' Correspondence Contains Choice Confidences

By Diana I. Lurvey '44

In a few days it will all be over, all the letter-writing and the conferring, the making of plans and the working and the worrying that have gone into this year's Cultural Conference. It began last year with the appointment of the chairmen; its been growing ever since. There were troubles and there were triumphs and little tragi-comic incidents—the behind-the-scenes work that brought this Conference into being. Conference committee members will remember—

Archibald Macleigh's note of regret, "I wish with all my heart that I could come. It sounds very attractive indeed, and I remember Middlebury with the greatest pleasure."

The interest outsiders have shown. Several people, not from Middlebury, have read of the Conference in the papers, written to ask if they could come as spectators. The answer was a welcoming "yes."

Letter from Wallace

The letter from Vice-President Wallace. "It would be the greatest pleasure to participate in your round-table discussion, but we are so busy in the Senate during the winter months that I do not see any possibility of getting out to your part of the country." Washington kept other prospective speakers away, too—neither Sen. Claude Pepper nor Rep. Bill Rogers, Jr., could leave their work there.

The note from Elmer Rice. "I wish it were possible for me to accept your kind invitation, but I am expecting an addition to my family about the time of the Conference, and I don't dare go so far from home."

Morton Gould's letter regretting that he was unable to attend. "I would like to take this opportunity to express to you my personal appreciation and support for your conference. I think it a most vital and important influence in helping shape a better world for all of us."

The "Santayana Affair." In the rush of committee meetings with everyone talking at once, a letter of invitation was sent to George Santayana at Harvard instead of to George de Santillana. There was a prompt reply, "Professor Santayana has not been at Harvard since 1912. In that year he left this country and has resided in Europe ever since. . . . Under the circumstances it is, of course, impossible for Professor Santayana to accept your invitation."

The enthusiastic reply the committee, red-faced but still working, received from the right Signor Santillana. "If there are specific subjects distributed for treatment, please let me know. Otherwise, I shall just chip in as opportunity presents itself. There are enough burning problems for all."

Ezekiel to Ski

The exchange of letters with Mordecai Ezekiel. Mr. Ezekiel who spent his spare time here last year skiing on Chapel Hill is hoping to repeat the same program this year. The committee has assured him that they are doing their best to see that the snow conditions will be ideal.

The way A. Clayton Powell signs his letters. "Yours for a PV (a People's Victory)."

F. O. Matthiessen's comment on receiving a schedule of trains to and from Middlebury. "Grim." He'll be here just the same though.

Middlebury's loss to the New York stage. Paul Robeson, Helen Hayes, and Katherine Cornell are all being held in New York because of their play engagements.

Dorothy Canfield Fisher's letter. "It's fine news to know that the Middlebury Conference is going to be held again this year, and such splendid people as those mentioned in your list are going to be with you. . . . I'm very proud of the enterprise of our Middlebury young people in getting up this conference and will greatly enjoy being there I am sure if it's possible." Mrs. Fisher's presence is still in doubt because of illness. The committee does not know definitely either whether Van Wyck Brooks will be able to stay over for the conference meetings or whether I. F. Stone of the editorial staff of *Nation* and *PM* will be here.

The Oklahoma Farmers Union Convention that kept James G. Patton, president of the National Farmers Union away. He's asked for a rain check on the engagement though.

All these and more, the Conference will bring to the minds of committee members. It was work but it was worth it. Come and see if you don't agree.

Change Announced In Draft Directives

Recent changes in Selective Service Directives announced by Washington are expected to have considerable effect on those men eligible for the Navy's V-5 and SV-5 aviation training program. The two groups affected are those under twenty-two years of age with occupational deferments, and referred students who are not on active duty or in the enlisted reserve.

According to the latest ruling, men in both categories will have their deferments renewed only under unusual circumstances, leaving them available for induction in the near future. The Navy's First Naval District procurement officials point out the great need and opportunities for such men in Naval aviation. Seventeen-year-olds who are unmarried, high school graduates, college students, or high school seniors, and who meet Navy requirements are eligible for V-5 classification. Those men between eighteen and twenty-six are eligible for Class SV-5.

Seventeen-Year-Olds

Seventeen-year-olds who have not completed high school when they are accepted are allowed to return home and finish this phase of their education. After graduation, these men will embark upon "the most expensive technical education in the world"—a year and a half course in Naval aviation. This includes eight months of V-12 college instruction, training as flight cadets during which time they will receive $75 a month, and finally, upon graduation, commissions as Naval ensigns or Marine Corps second lieutenants.

For those who have previously had occupational deferments in war industries, Naval aviation offers an opportunity to continue in highly technical work with an officer's commission. For those whose education would otherwise be interrupted, there is a chance to become a member of a highly-trained, highly-respected fighting organization.

The V-5 quotas are large and the need for qualified men is immediate. Detailed information is available at schools, colleges, recruiting stations, and procurement offices.

COMPLETE PROGRAM FOR THE MIDDLEBURY CONFERENCE 1944

"Cultural Values in a Changing World"

Friday

8.00- 9.30—Informal meeting of participants and committee.

Saturday

9.30-12.00—Opening address by President Samuel S. Stratton.
First panel: *Economics and Politics.* Chairman: President Stratton.
12.30—Buffet luncheon for participants, committee and guests. Forest Recreation Room.
2.00- 4.30—Second panel: *Arts and Literature.* Chairman: Prof. Pierre de Lanux.
6.30—Informal dinner for participants, committee and guests at the Middlebury Inn.
8.00- 9.30—Third panel: *Philosophy, Religion, and Science.* Chairman: Prof. C. H. Kaiser.
9.45—Informal reception for everyone. Forest Recreation Room.

Sunday

10.00-12.30—Fourth panel: *Economics and Politics.* Question period. Chairman: Prof. R. W. Rafuse.
2.30- 4.30—Fifth panel: *Arts, Literature, Philosophy, Religion, and Science.* Chairman: Prof. C. L. Bourcier.

ALL PANELS WILL MEET IN THE MIDDLEBURY HIGH SCHOOL GYMNASIUM

Community House Serves Needs of College and Town

By June Kempf '45

Members of Women's Forum have found in the Community House an ever-increasing opportunity to help in serving the needs of Middlebury as a community. Their aid has made possible not only the Thrift Shop, which provides financial support for the House, but also the many activities which are sponsored by it.

The present Community House was originally built as a private home by Horatio Seymour, of Litchfield, Conn., in 1815. It remained in the same family for four generations, and was the home of Joseph Battell, one of the college's benefactors. Mrs. Charles M. Swift, great-granddaughter of the builder, gave the house to the county in 1932 to be used as a community center especially for young people. Her vision and generosity in donating the building, paying the salary of the director, and sustaining the running expenses of the house have proved of invaluable benefit not only to Middlebury but to surrounding communities as well.

College Participates

College students have been participating in the work of the Community House since February, 1939. The idea of the Thrift Shop, with the double aim of providing good used clothing and household articles for the public at very low prices, and using the funds thus obtained to carry on the activities at the House, was suggeste by Leonore Pockman '42, after she had observed a similar institution functioning at Wellesley College. The idea took hold and has grown rapidly and steadily during the last four years.

When it had outgrown its original quarters in a back room in the Community House, the Shop was moved to a room in Battell Block. This year, due to the kindness of Mr. Harry Lazarus, who donated, rent-free, rooms situated behind the Community House, the Thrift Shop finds itself in larger and pleasanter quarters. The freshman members of the Forum Social Service Committee demonstrated their enthusiasm by repainting and redecorating this new location.

Clothing Needed

Contributions of clothing for the Thrift Shop have been made chiefly by college girls and a few local persons interested in the House. Some of the students have carried the tale of the Thrift Shop home, and interested families have sent generous amounts of clothing. This year Miss Dean, the House Director, has received boxes from North Carolina, New Jersey, New York, Ohio and Wisconsin. Because every obtainable article can be used to advantage, Miss Dean has urged that students contribute to the weekly collections any clothing they can spare or can no longer use.

Varied Activities

The success of the Thrift Shop is best demonstrated by the extent of the financial support it has provided and the many activities which this support has made possible. Since the spring of 1940 the Shop has made over $1500, all of which has gone directly into projects sponsored

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'44 Culture Conference

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Canfield Fisher may be absent as she has been ill.

Conference Committees

Credit for the detailed arrangements of the second annual Culture Conference is due to the conference committee, composed of faculty and student members under the chairmanship of Edith D. Johansen '44. Subcommittee heads serving on the conference committee include: E. Ann Robinson '45, secretary of the conference and in charge of speakers for arts and music; Elizabeth L. Ring '44, invitations; Dorothy E. Brown '44, program; Wilma R. Bunce '45, literature panel; M. Elizabeth Casey '45, publicity; Hedvig C. Hogg '45, political and economic panel; Frances M. Horning '45, arrangements; and Dorothy H. Laux '45, philosophy, religion and science. Other student members of the conference committee are as follows: Edward Cooperstein '46, Constantine M. Broutsas '46, A. S. Charles Parker, A. S. Everett Hicks, A. S. Ralph Cook, Charlott P. Hickcox '45, Alice Louise Bull '46, Barbara A. Busing '46, and Barbara V. Snow '46.

Dr. Charles H. Kaiser is faculty chairman and Claude L. Bourcier is faculty secretary. Faculty members on the committee include: Henry W. Bedford, Reginald L. Cook, Pierre de Lanux, Boylston Green, Robert W. Rafuse, Sidney K. Macfarlane, and Evans B. Reid. Dr. Samuel S. Stratton serves in advisory capacity in arrangements made by the committee.

BUY WAR BONDS

TRUCK DISABLED ON SUNDAY HIKE; 10.15 HIKE PUT OFF

Despite the breakdown of the truck, the fifth ski hike of the season to Breadloaf was partially carried out last Sunday. The truck was loaded and left Battell but the crowd was disappointed when the breakdown occurred on the way. This did not prove a catastrophe, however, as many of the prospective skiers decided to walk on to the slope and were picked up later by the reconditioned truck.

Because of the unexpected breakdown, the second hike of the day did not run at all. After great deliberation a number of those scheduled to leave at ten decided to do their skiing on hills nearer the campus. The tow was operating on Chipman so those enthusiastic souls carried their equipment and, in spite of circumstances, got in a good day of practice.

Humanities Hold

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Science and philosophy, though unrelated in practice, are extremely relevant to one another in the pursuit of the patterns and functioning of the universe. To the scientist, "the how," to the philosopher, "the why," but to both the admiration and examination of nature's consistency and design. All experience is merely the result of this admiration; all life is nourished by a thirst for viewing the sights of nature in all their transcendent splendor.

At the close of formal discussion, the floor was thrown open to questions and further debate. The extremely large attendance showed quite clearly the strong, though generally concealed, interest shared by many in discussion of religious matters.

JUNIORS HEAD SPANISH CLUB

Members of the junior class belonging to El Circulo Espanol were in charge of the meeting held last evening at La Casa Espanola at 7.30 p.m. Barbara Abel '45 was chairman of the entertainment program. Miss Rose E. Martin and Miss Ann M. Carner of the Spanish department, gave readings in Spanish.

Spanish songs were sung by the juniors and games were played by the entire group. For refreshments, ice cream and cookies were served.

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Panthers Make First Collegiate Basketball Win

The Middlebury basketball five overpowered St. Michael's Tuesday night to win 41-27 for their first collegiate triumph.

It was a rough, sloppy game with both sides committing numerous fouls. The Panther quintet opened up an early lead as Ken Akey, playing against his former college, looped in three quick baskets. The men from St. Mike's came back strong, spearheaded by their star, "Babe" Bersky, to overcome the deficit and pull out to a 12-10 advantage at half time.

Second Half

For the second half, Coach Brown started a new team, with Hutchins and Akey in the forecourt, Card at center and Fisher and Cooke at the guard spots. This fresh five got hot and baskets dropped in consistently from the fingers of Hutchins, Card and Fisher. Playing a forcing game, the Midd men intercepted many St. Mike passes and turned them into scores. With four minutes left to play, Hutchins was guilty of his fourth foul and Shaefer came into the game.

The last few minutes were wild and woolly as the Michaelmen tried to break up the Middlebury attack. Staving off this last minute splurge the Panther team went on to win.

Hutchins was high scorer for Middlebury with 11 points and Akey and Fisher with five baskets apiece were next. Bo-bo Bersky was high for St. Mike's with 14 points.

The summary:

MIDDLEBURY

	G.	F.	T.
Brennan, r.f.	0	0	0
Hutchins	4	3	11
Shaefer	1	0	2
Akey, l.f.	5	0	10
Dillon, c.	0	0	0
Tobias	0	0	0
Card	2	0	4
Crescenti, r.g.	0	1	1

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W. A. A.

With about forty people out for W. A. A. fencing, a successful season is expected. Practices are to be held Wednesday and Thursday afternoons at 3.30 and 4.30 p.m. in Hamlin Hall.

For credit one may attend two of the practices a week until a minimum of fifteen hours is obtained, and must enter the tournament in the spring. A class may be held for advanced fencers, but the time has not yet been set.

Basketball

The basketball tournament swung into action with two games played Tuesday afternoon. The rest of the games are scheduled below. Every player who wishes to get W. A. A. credit is required to play a half of the playing time. Any absences from games must be excused by a member of the physical education department before the game is to be played.

January 20, Thursday—6.45 Sophomore A vs. Freshman A, 7.45 Sophomore B vs. Freshman B; January 21, Friday—3.30 Senior vs. Freshman B, 4.15 Junior vs. Sophomore B; January 25, Tuesday—3.30 Sophomore A vs. Senior, 4.15 Freshman A vs. Freshman B; January 27, Thursday—6.45 Sophomore A vs. Sophomore B, 7.45 Senior vs. Junior.

February 1, Tuesday—3.30 Junior vs. Freshman A, 4.15 Sophomore A vs. Freshman B; February 3, Thursday—6.45 Junior vs. Sophomore A; 7.45 Sophomore B vs. Freshman A; and February 4, Friday—3.15 Senior vs. Freshman A.

New Dresses
and
New Materials
Including Some Especially Lovely Flat Crepes and Cottons
at
The Victory Nook

Mabel Buttolph Gives Meaning Of Conference

Expressing her ideas on the meaning and implications of the 1943 Conference, Mabel H. Buttolph '44, won the first prize which was offered by the Student Action Assembly for the best essay about Conference. It might be well to review what she said in order that we may go to this year's discussions with a clearer vision of what the Conference offers us.

The upsetting of American institutions and the resultant insecurity was one of the biggest effects which the war had on us, Miss Buttolph pointed out. It was this insecurity which caused the students to realize the need for some type of group discussion with leaders who could answer questions and help formulate ideas.

Question Conference

At first, Miss Buttolph tells us, the plans were looked at askance. "What place had art in a world at war?" Perhaps some of the Navy men, unacquainted with the accomplishments of last year, have similar questions in their minds at present, but those of us who attended last year's discussions realize that not only art, but religion, philosophy, literature, and all the other subjects touched upon do have a definite place in today's world. This realization has brought added enthusiasm for this year's Conference.

Miss Buttolph had several questions which she wished to ask. "It was not that the question itself was of mighty importance, or profound, that I wished to ask it. Rather, I wanted to be a part of that thing which was bigger than I. I wanted to reach out and grasp it as it went by." Not only through our questions, which should be numerous, but through the absorption of ideas and formulation of new opinions we should became an integral part of the events of the coming weekend. Let's not forget that the Conference is being held for us.

Arts and Sciences

The correlation of the arts and sciences and the need for a balance between them was one of the most concrete ideas the students derived, Miss Buttolph stresses.

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Carnival

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Friday:
Afternoon
Hockey Game, intramural 3.00
Coffee 5.00
Night
Carnival Ball 8.30

Saturday:
Morning
Classes until 10.30
Skating Show 10.45-11.45
Afternoon
On Campus
On Chipman Hill
Women's and Men's Downhill 1.30
Men's Slalom 3.00
Hockey game, Williams 3.00
Basketball, Williams 4.45
Night
Klondike Rush
Play 7.15
Dancing; Awards 9.15-12.00

Sunday:
Morning
Women's Slalom 9.00
Jumping 10.00
Hot Lunch on Chipman 12.30
Afternoon
Outing on Chipman 1.00

On Sunday there will be the usual dinner at 1.00 in the dormitories for those who do not wish to stay on Chipman. The Frolic will provide games, entertainments, and refreshments from 2.00 to 5.00 for people staying at the College that afternoon.

"Arsenic and Old Lace" Set Most Ambitious Ever Built

By Eleanore M. Drake '45

An imposing question—"Do things ever cease to hum, buzz, and topple over at the Playhouse?" The only answer—"Who is gonna' stop long enough to find out."

Yes, the players, players-to-be, Mr. Volkert, Mr. Healy, and Miss Kurtz are at it again—this time in producing a zippozingo, and well-starched farce, "Arsenic and Old Lace." At it again with emphasis on acting the part, emphasis on appropriate costuming of the players, and emphasis on setting the scene.

Setting

The setting will be a Healy original, which will reflect the 10-ton overdose of $1,000,000 decor typical of the Victorian Period—and it will all be done with the Playhouse budget in mind. A bit of calculus, finagling, and 20th century brainwork will do the trick—will turn out the background which will house the 19th century "whalebones" and "celluloid" collars. A Victorian archway, heavy, heavy drapes, oval portraits, and a strategically placed "torture for two" love seat will help make them feel at home.

The set is a "problem child"—the largest problem child the Playhouse has ever had (32 feet wide) for it must be collapsible enough to make transportation from the Playhouse to the high school gym a pleasure, and yet not to be too collapsible to hold up through three acts of one of the cleverest plays ever to hit Middlebury—or Broadway. Because it is such a big thing, it increases the acting area almost twofold, thus the members of the cast are receiving special instruction in how to get from the North Side to the East Side with all limbs intact and with all tables left unturned. The "Aunties" and others too, will have to worry about "being seen but not heard." They'll have to yell—but subtlety—so it won't sound like a hog-calling contest.

Crews

And so with Jane Andrew and her painting crew, and Dick Brutsas, Jack Dawson, Bill Gouert, Jim Van Wart, Nancy Peel, Connie Armitage, and Dotty Lindeman of the "never say die" construction crew being busy as "Middlebury Students," I leave the Playhouse with a cheery note—"Keep your ceiling up so your pipes won't show!"

Smith Leads Team To Stowe Victory

Chief Draginis' ski team kept on the winning path, by nosing out Dartmouth in a dual meet held at Mt. Mansfield over the week-end.

Middlebury's winning margin was only 2.7 points with the issue in doubt until the slide rule genius went to work and calculated 283.8 points for Middlebury and 281.1 points for Dartmouth.

Standings in Events

Bud Smith, skiing practically in his own backyard was the standout skier. He captured the downhill event, easily finishing 11.1 seconds ahead of the next competitor, Jim Morgan, another Midd skier. Bob Hanson with a sixth, Tink Bailey ninth, and Doug Whittemore were the other Panther men to finish.

Bud Ellms of Dartmouth capped the Slalom run in the good time of 1:26.9. Bud Smith and Jim Osberg of Dartmouth tied for the second spot with the time of 1:29.8. Bob Hanson, Jim Morgan, and Tink Bailey came in 4th, 6th, and 7th respectively.

The men compete under very trying conditions as far as weather goes. The trails were well patched but slippery which brought out the best in the skiers. Next week the ski team goes to Manchester, Vt., to participate in their annual meet.

Summary of events:

Downhill

1. Smith (M) 1:22.2
2. Morgan (M) 1:13.3
3. Booth (D) 1:16.4
4. Osberg (D) 1:19.4
5. Ellms (D) 1:20.0
6. Hanson (M) 1:25.0
7. Hewitt (D) 1:27.0

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Two Court Meets Set for Week-end; Panthers Favored

The Middlebury Panthers play two games over the week-end. On Saturday, January 22, the squad travels to Troy, N. Y., to play the strong R. P. I. quintet. Coming back to the High School gym on Tuesday, January 25, the Midd five meets St. Michael's in the second game of the two-game series.

R. P. I. will present a fast, well-balanced team that is bolstered by a number of V-12 trainees. Last season the Panther team pinned a 43-31 defeat on the Troy team in a hard-fought game. Playing on their home court the R. P. I. aggregation will be out to reverse last year's score. The home team has had an "in and out" season so far, winning as many games as they have lost. However, on their own court, they've had better luck and have tipped over all their opponents. The Midd lineup will probably be the same as that which made that garrison finish against Union last week. Ken Akey and Joe Brennan at forwards, Dick Crescenti at the pivot, and Johnny Duguid and "Soc" Bobotas at the guard posts will probably get the nod from Coach Brown.

The men from St. Mike's will invade the High School gym Tuesday night, January 25, in an attempt to knock off their Vermont brethren. Last year these

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Students Discuss Russia on WCAX

With a discussion of Russia, members of S. A. A. presented the second of a series of student broadcasts over Station WCAX last Sunday afternoon from 1.00 to 1.30.

Speakers for the panel were Charles J. Parker A. S., Dora Hetheston '44, Judith M. Lyon '46 and Doris A. Mazon '46. Professor Robert Rafuse of the political science department acted as moderator.

Russia, a country about which there is probably more discussion and subsequently more misinformation in circulation than any other nation in the world, was examined from several points of view. The student speakers themselves did not pose as authorities on the Soviet Union, but, in common with all who share in the liberal arts tradition, are earnest seekers of truth and are anxious today to test the conclusions at which they have arrived in their search.

Ideas Expressed

Miss Mazon opened the discussion with a brief survey of Russian history since the revolution of 1917. With this as a basis, Miss Hetherston brought attention to the debatable fact of the freedom of Russian citizens. In spite of the fact that Russia is a leading dictatorship in the world, this question still bears examination.

Miss Lyon examined the possibilities of a Russian threat to American freedom in Soviet ideas and political concepts. The threat to the western world, as discussed by Mr. Parker, may be in the rebirth of a powerful Russian nation, devoted to the imperialistic ideas of the now dissolved Comitern.

Discussion was ended with an appeal to the listening audience not to accept Russia as a mere enigma, menacing and perplexing, but to attempt to reach that understanding of our neighbors without which all the blood, sweat and tears of this great war may have been shed in vain.

Another broadcast will be presented on February 6 by the Middlebury College drama department.

Approval of Business Given by Student Life

Winter Carnival program was discussed and approved at the recent meeting of the Student Life committee, and the Naval Assembly Constitution was accepted.

Barbara Slade '44, Gladys J. Swift '46, and James Williams A/S presented reports before the Committee on the progress of the Lodge and its method of operation. The Committee gave approval to the tentative plans for Senior Week, final approval being postponed until permanent plans are offered.

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Summer Work In Mexico Told By F. Horning

By Ruth Strode

Many notables are coming to Middlebury this week-end who have made a place in the world and have had many interesting experiences. We are, of course, pleased to have them come, but we sometimes don't realize that we have people on our own campus who have, also, done interesting things.

Frances H. Horning '45, spent two months in Mexico this summer, for the American Friends' Service Committee. She lived in a village fifty miles south of Mexico City. There were nine girls from the United States living in the little house behind the clinic. Four of them, including Franny, worked in the clinic; the others were setting up a playground for the town. The clinic was just one room, but the girls spent most of their working time visiting the schools and public markets in order to vaccinate people against the various diseases prevalent in Mexico.

People Poor

Most of the people were very poor as in all South America, but Franny believes that Mexico is different from the other countries in that she is trying to do something about it. Everywhere they went there were new little one-room school houses which had been built within the last few years. Their clinic had been started by the government, also.

Surprisingly enough, the trains are cleaner in Mexico than in many parts of our country, Franny says. They rode on a first-class coach which was swept out every two hours. They wash down the outside of the train with long-handled brushes, too. The conductor came through the car selling ice-cooled drinks after a few stations.

Franny thinks that there is a big future in Mexico. Her experiences may prove of interest to others who wish to spend a similar summer. As Franny would say, "Hay que bueno."

PANTHERS FAVORED

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two teams split, each winning a game. Conditions, however, have changed and the Midd men are favored because of their abundance of manpower. St. Mike's has been hard hit by the war and its enrollment has been halved, but it's still carrying on with its athletic program. To add insults to injury, two of their former stars, Ken Akey and Joe Brennan, will be lined up against them and exerting all their powers to send some of their ex-teammates down in defeat. Coach Brown will start his usual line-up and will substitute freely in order to give all his men an opportunity to show their ability.

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SKI MEET

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8. Wood (D) 1:28.0
9. Bailey (M) 1:30.0
10. Whittemore (M) 2:16.0

Slalom

1. Ellms (D) 1:26.9
2. Smith (M) 1:29.8
3. Osberg (D) 1:29.8
4. Wood (D) 1:31.9
5. Hanson (M) 1:37.5
6. Booth (D) 1:40.0
7. Morgan (M) 1:41.9
7. Bailey (M) 1:47.0

Team scores

Middlebury 283.8
Dartmouth 281.1

CONFERENCE SIGNIFICANCE

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"All saw the inseparability of the different phases and the need for some sort of correlation of or supplement to our studies." The 1944 Conference offers this supplement. By discussions of economics, political science, literature, the arts, philosophy, religion, and science, we are drawing together all the issues of the war and post-war world.

The essay concludes with a warning against over-enthusiasm, which hold especially true now. "The danger lies in spreading enthusiasm too thick, having none of the projects succeed." Coming from the Conference filled with new and varied ideas, we must not let these ideas volley forth and then drift gradually away. Concrete and tangible action as well as intangible ideas should result from the 1944 Cultural Conference.

ST. MIKE'S GAME

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Fisher	5	0	10
Duguil, l.g.	0	1	1
Cooke	1	0	2
Totals	18	5	41

ST. MICHAEL'S

	G.	F.	T.
McGonigle, r.f.	0	1	1
Maloney	0	1	1
Flanagan, l.f.	0	0	0
Fennell, c.	1	1	3
Stopyer	2	0	4
Bersky, r.g.	7	0	14
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ALUMNI NOTES

Gertrude Lacey '43 was married to Ens. J. H. Thornton on December 4 at Charleston, S. C.; address: 249 Ranger Drive, Waylyn Homes, Navy Yard, Charleston.

Jean E. Baillie '43 is studying at Sarah Whitley's New York School.

Dorothy Stewart '43 is studying for her M.A. in Geology at Columbia University Graduate School; address: Box 14, Whittier Hall, 1230 Amsterdam Ave., New York, N. Y.

Mrs. James G. Krieble (Amanda Sanborne) '43 is a stenographer in the U. S. Chamber of Commerce, Washington, D. C.; address: 223 Newcomb St. S. E., Washington 20, D. C.

Lt. Elward J. Reichert '40 married Marion Ella Ray '42 December 20, 1943; address: 1561 Unionport Rd., Parkchester, N. Y. C.

Joseph M. Trask, Jr., '39 received his silver wings and appointment as a second lieutenant in the Air Corps of the A. U. S. December 5, 1943, at Spenie Field, Ga.

Lt. John C. Robinson '38, stationed with the Army Air Forces grounded crew in New Guinea, is engaged to Jean Du Bosch of Queens Village, N. Y.

Ivan L. Bunnell '38 received the degree of Doctor of Medicine from the University of Buffalo, N. Y., December 29.

Loring W. Pratt '40 received the degree of Doctor of Medicine from Johns Hopkins Medical School November 25, 1943, and was commissioned a first lieutenant in the Army Medical Corps Reserves.

Nelson R. Easton '41 is engaged to Anne J. Mauren of Elizabeth, N. J.

Ens. Elliott A. Baines '43 is engaged to Martha Ellen Ashcroft, a senior at Cornell University.

Maj. Thomas R. Noonan '34 has returned from North Africa, where he was in the Medical Corps for about one year, and is temporarily at 105 California Ave., Atlantic City, N. J.

Donald J. Noonan '40 became a Cadet in the Air Force on October 31, 1943, and is now stationed at Syracuse University.

The engagement of Marylu Graham '44 to Pfc. Neil P. Atkins '44 has been announced.

Marvin L. Johnson '40 is in Arabia with the California Arabian Standard Oil Co.

Merritt F. Garland, Jr., married Saralou Chaffee at Hartford, Conn., December 19, 1943; address: 54 Forsyth St., Boston, Mass.

Laurence D. Gagnier '43 is studying at Union Seminary and working with a Leonia, N. J., church; address: 600 West 122nd St., N. Y. C.

Robert D. Nims, Jr., '43 is with the General Electric Co. in Schenectady, N. Y.; address: 1848 Union St.

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Navy Constitution

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The executive committee will consist of a President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer, elected by the Council from its own membership. The president will preside over the council and, in case of a tie, will vote.

Supervision of Activities

All social activities of the Naval Unit specified by the Commanding Officer, will be under the supervision of the Navy Assembly, and any non-military naval organization will be required to submit to the council plans regarding all determined future events and activities of the organization for the coming semester.

The V-12 unit will be represented in the Student Life Committee by the President of the Naval Assembly and one deck representative not holding executive office who will be elected by the council.

Amendments to the constitution may be initiated by majority vote of the Naval Assembly.

Prof. Robert W. Rafuse was technical advisor.

KNOW THYSELF

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fields of our endeavour and the proper meaning of the words we use. It behooves us to remember the story of the Chinese sage who was being asked for his advice on how to stop the moral and political decadence of his country: "Set up a Ministry of the Meaning of Words," was the answer.

Know Thyself

We know that, among other things, such an effort to better realize the realities hidden behind words will be the goal and justification of the round table discussions on Philosophy, Science and Religion. "Know thyself," Socrates used to say. And we repeat it after him; only we add: "Know the world, or worlds, in which you live—Know your fellow-men—Know the truth and follow it—Know God and the laws He has imparted to His creatures—and let this knowledge, instead of caprice, fads or prejudice, be the basis of your action."

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Activities Serve Community Needs

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by the Community House. A playground was built out of the town dump in back of the House. A summer play school, with which students from Smith, Wheaton, and Middlebury have assisted, has been providing recreation for the younger members of the community for four summers. Classes for young people in arts and crafts, music, dancing, cooking, and other subjects, in addition to a weekly story hour, are conducted by Miss Dean and by college students during the winter. Christmas parties, complete with gifts, were provided for over 100 Middlebury children and between 60 and 75 children in Ripton. This year the Community House is clothing outright nine children and partially clothing at least twelve more, in addition to supplying food and medicine to those in need. The County Public Health and Public Welfare Office also has recourse to the facilities of the Thrift Shop. The Community House provides a meeting place for numerous organizations such as the Red Cross sewing committee, the Boys' Club, a baby clinic, church choirs, Boy and Girl Scouts, and many informal groups.

Other Communities Interested

One of the outstanding projects of the House has been the evening dancing class for the teen age group. This venture has been so successful that the citizens of Orwell have asked that a similar class be started there. South Lincoln, East Middlebury and Starksboro have also evidenced an interest in the work being done here and have requested that college girls be sent to organize projects in these communities.

Students taking part in the activities at the yellow house on Main Street have derived from their work more than the satisfaction of helping others. The experience they have gained in working with children and in finding an active place in community life has proved invaluable. It is this double incentive which has created such enthusiasm in every girl who has participated in the projects of the Community House.

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